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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:)	Examiner: William Bashore
Richard HUMPLEMAN <i>et al.</i>)	
)	Group Art Unit: 2176
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS)	
FOR A HOME NETWORK AUTO-)	
TREE BUILDER)	
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Application No.: 09/104,297)	
)	
Filed: June 24, 1998)	

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INTERVIEW SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW ON AUGUST 30, 2005

MS AF
Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

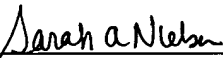
Applicant hereby files this interview summary for the interview conducted on August 30, 2005 between Examiner William Bashore and Michael Zarrabian (Reg. No. 39,886). During the interview, Applicant's response to the Final Office Action was discussed.

Applicant argued that Venkatraman does not disclose generating a device list file in an autonomous and dynamic manner to identify home devices that are currently connected to the home network, as required by Claim 1. Venkatraman only discloses providing access to device 10 from the external web browser 40. There is no device list file in Venkatraman. Venkatraman works if the browser 40 previously knew about the device 10. If the device 10 is no longer

connected, the browser 40 would not know about that dynamically or autonomously. Applicant further argued that the web page 18 of a device 10 in Venkatraman maybe generated and provided only in response to user request from the browser 40, not autonomously, as claimed herein. Further, Venkatraman and Hanson do not teach an autonomous and dynamic process as claimed herein. The Examiner stated that he would take Applicant's arguments into consideration when issuing an advisory action in the case.

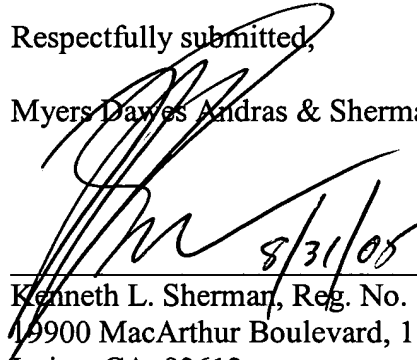
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